II. FAA Policies, Regulations, Programs and Funding Sources

Introduction and Expectations

FAA policies and regulations form the legal basis of FAA's actions, and control, to a significant extent, what airport operators, aircraft operators, and local governments can do in planning and implementing compatible land use plans for airports. The materials in this section form the basis for FAA policy regarding aircraft noise and land use planning around airports.

Excerpts from the 1976 Aviation Noise Abatement Policy address the responsibilities of state and local governments, local elected officials, and airport proprietors in the abatement of aircraft noise. These passages may be useful in encouraging local entities to fulfill their noise mitigation responsibilities.

An overview as well as the regulation for FAA's Part 150 Airport Noise Compatibility Planning Program is included. In addition, a brief overview along with the final policy on Part 150 approval of remedial and preventive noise mitigation measures is contained in this section. This policy limits FAA Part 150 approval of remedial mitigation measures to land uses that were in place as of October 1, 1998; preventive types of noise measures may be approved for potential new noncompatible development. The Community Involvement Policy Statement, issued in April 1995, is included to encourage the use of community participation in agency actions. These policies and regulations can be used as helpful reference tools when planning and implementing airport noise compatibility plans.

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